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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2. 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Previously submitted Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on iii. Other **Enclosed** Amendment/Reply ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) iii. Other iv. 2. Miscellaneous Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) Other 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. x The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 09/03/2003 MAXMED1 00000132 161945 i. x RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 01 FC:1801 ii. x Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) Other iii. Check in the amount of \$ Enclosed Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED David P. Halstead, Ph.D. Name (Print/Type) Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 44,735 August 27, 2003 Signature

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